

MINUTES OF THE DAVIDSON COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION

July 9, 2009

The Davidson County Election Commission (DCEC) met at 9:00 a.m. on July 9, 2009 in the Metro Office Building. Commissioners Lynn Greer, Eddie Bryan, A.J. Starling, Patricia Heim, and Steve Abernathy were present. Also, present Nicki Eke of the Metropolitan Dept. of Law, Lionel Barrett, Joan Nixon and Ray Barrett (AOE).

Chairman Lynn Greer convened the meeting.

Approve May 4, 2009 & June 22, 2009 Minutes - Chairman Greer asked if any additions or corrections were needed to May 4th minutes - none. Chairman Greer stated minutes will stand approved as read. Chairman Greer asked if any additions or corrections were needed to June 22nd minutes - none. Chairman Greer stated minutes will stand approved as read. Commissioner Heim asked if they needed to be signed.

Certified City of Lakewood Election - Chairman Greer stated election was held Tuesday, July 7, 2009 and results were in handout. Chairman Greer asked AOE Barrett how election went, AOE Barrett stated the election went great with 31.58% turnout and no problems. Commissioner Heim made motion to approve as presented, seconded by Commissioner A. J. Starling, motion approved unanimously.

Administrator's Report - AOE Barrett presented Commissioner Patricia Heim a 5 year plaque for TAECO. AOE Barrett reported on Confirmation Notices of the year:

Active to Inactive - 2 Federal November Election 20,708
NCOA 12,511- Active to Inactive - Out County/Out of State
NOW have: Active Voters 299,732 & Inactive 46,230
December 2008...Active 331,840 & Inactive 34,654 - total 366,494
Added in 2008 - New Voters 53,612

AOE Barrett also reported on the Budget process. Chairman Greer stated he appreciated that AOE Barrett met with each commissioner and ended up with a better budget. Also, stated that AOE Barrett and 2 other employees agreed to salary reductions to make budget work. Commissioner Heim reported NOCA voters who registered - 44 names were non-residential addresses - and made a motion to turn names over to district attorney for voter registration fraud, Commissioner Bryan seconded the motion, motion approved unanimously.

Commissioner Abernathy asked question regarding the last Performance Evaluation for the AOE for Davidson County. Chairman Greer appointed a committee on evaluations - Commissioner Heim, Chair; and Commissioners Abernathy and Bryan. Chairman Greer asked Nicki Eke, Metro Attorney to give an updated training session on open meeting laws - Ms. Eke agreed. Chairman Greer asked that if anyone has a copy of a evaluation, if they would provide it to the committee it would be a starting point. Commissioner Starling stated he thought he had one.

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Commissioner Heim asked AOE Barrett about May election, Davidson County Local Executive Committee election, if there is any chance that it will be a caucus election. AOE Barrett stated it is a Private Act, and in order to change it, legislation would have to be passed. Commissioner Heim suggested they look into it due to the cost. Commissioner Bryan stated he would like to know the cost.

Chairman Greer announced the TAECO meeting in Memphis is scheduled for July 28-30, 2009.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned.

Lynn Greer, Chairman

Patricia Heim, Member

A. J. Starling, Member

Eddie Bryan, Secretary

Steven Abernathy, Member